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WORLD CLIMATE PROGRAM

1. WMO SECRETARIAT IS CIRCULATING INFORMALLY FOLLOWING
DRAFT RES FOR WHICH THEY HAVE REQUESTED US COSPONSORSHIP.
NOT CLEAR AT THIS STAGE WHAT OTHER DELS WILL BE PREPARED TO
SPONSOR. USDEL WOULD APPRECIATE DEPT'S VIEWS ON SUB-
STANCE OF RESOLUTION AND ON QUESTION OF POSSIBLE COSPON-
SORSHIP.

2. QUOTE THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

CONSIDERING

(1) THAT CLIMATIC FACTORS HAVE A DIRECT BEARING ON
MANY NATIONAL PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES IN THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL FIELDS

(2) THAT RECENT EVENTS BOTH IN DEVELOPING AND DE-
VELOPED COUNTRIES HAVE SHOWN THE INCREASING
VULNERABILITY OF NATIONAL ECONOMIES TO CLIMATE
AND CLIMATE VARIABILITY

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NOTING

(1) THAT THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION IS
PREPARING A PLAN FOR A WORLD CLIMATE PROGRAMME
WHICH WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE WORLD METEOROLOGI-
CAL CONGRESS IN 1979 FOR ADOPTION

- (2) THAT THE PLAN WILL PROVIDE FOR A NEW AND COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO THE STUDY OF CLIMATE IN ALL ITS ASPECTS AND WILL MAKE PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE ON HUMAN ACTIVITIES
- (3) THAT THE COOPERATION OF OTHER APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMMES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM HAS BEEN SOUGHT AND IS BEING GIVEN IN THE PREPARATION OF THE PLAN

COMMENDS THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION FOR ITS INITIATIVE IN DECIDING TO INTRODUCE A NEW WORLD CLIMATE PROGRAMME

ENDORSES FULLY THIS DECISION

URGES

- (1) THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION TO GIVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THOSE ASPECTS OF THE WORLD CLIMATE PROGRAMME WHICH WILL GIVE PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE ASSISTANCE TO NATIONAL PLANNERS AND DECISION-MAKERS IN FORMULATING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PROGRAMMES AND ACTIVITIES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES

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- (2) ALL OTHER APPROPRIATE ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM TO CONTINUE TO COOPERATE AS FULLY AS POSSIBLE WITH THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION IN THE PREPARATION OF THE PLAN FOR THE WORLD CLIMATE PROGRAMME AND IN ITS SUBSEQUENT IMPLEMENTATION

REQUESTS THE WORLD METEOROLOGICAL ORGANIZATION TO REPORT TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS REGULAR SESSION IN JULY 1979 ON THE DETAILS OF THE APPROVED PROGRAMME AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THIS RESPECT END QUOTE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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